68. As-Samad (The Eternal)

"All needs are directed to Him while He needs nothing. Let your heart be directed to the Eternal, rather than to passing things."

- Abdul Qadir al-Jilani (1077-1166 CE)
Source: "Al-Ghunya li-Talibi Tariq al-Haqq"
(Sufficient Provision for
Seekers of the Path of Truth)

Anyone who places his head in Sajdah at the time of Sehri and repeats this Beautiful Name of Allah 115 times will be granted the quality of truthfulness. Saying it abundantly in the state of Wudhu will afford one self-sufficiency and independence of the entire creation Insha Allah - Al Hisnul Hasin

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The Most Beautiful Names of Allah ﷻ

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AS-SAMAD ﷻ (THE INDEPENDENT ﷻ)

Samad has the meaning of masmood (the one towards whom needs are presented.) The Arabs say, **بيت مصمود** "Such a house towards which people go with their needs and problems."

Abu Hurayrah ﷺ has given the following meaning of this name:

اَلْمُسْتَغْنِي عَنْ كُلِّ أَحَدٍ وَالْمُحْتَاجُ إِلَيْهِ كُلُّ أَحَدٍ

As-Samad ﷻ is that Being who is independent from every one (He ﷻ needs none (to help Him) to implement His decisions) and all are in need of Him. (Ruhul-Ma'aani)

We are all totally dependent on Him ﷻ. From Jibraaeel ﷺ to the smallest ant, the largest and the most negligible of creation are totally in need of Him ﷻ, whilst He ﷻ is not in need of anyone.He ﷻ is the Being towards whom all needs are referred to (i.e. all are in need of Him, He is not in need of anyone), He ﷻ is the Being whose sovereignty has reached the height of perfection, He is all-Independent who has no stomach, He ﷻ neither eats nor drink, and He ﷻ is the Being who will remain forever after the creation has been destroyed.

The reality of As-Samad ﷻ is that He is self-existent, He ﷻ is independent from others, while all are in need of Him. This is an intrinsic quality of Allaah ﷻ. When looking at the Being of Allaah ﷻ and His independence, He is Samad by Himself (since He is independent). When looking at the dependence and the need of the creation towards Him, He is Samad with regards to the creation, since they are totally dependent on Him.